

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

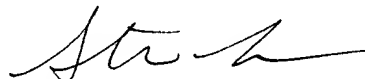
Claims 1-44 are pending. In response to the Restriction Requirement of September 30, 2004, Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-44, and withdraw Group II, claims 45-54. Claim 30 has been amended to correct a clerical error. No new matter has been added.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,



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